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SUBJECT: US-GOB CIVIL AIR NEGOTIATIONS

1. NEGOTIATIONS ADJOURNED THIS MORNING (MARCH 21) WITHOUT AGREEMENT. USDEL INDICATED NO DIFFICULTY FOR U.S. TO GRANT SABENA BLIND-SECTOR TO MEXICO CITY IF CARGO CHARTERS INCLUDED IN MOU WITH SCHEDULED COMPETITION PROVISIO AND CLARIFICATION OF OPEN BEYOND ON U.S. ROUTE TO BRUSSELS.

2. BELGIANS INITIALLY HAPPY WITH OFFERED BLIND SECTOR BUT WISHED TO STUDY OVERALL QUESTION OF CARGO CHARTERS FURTHER. THEY VOICED PARTICULAR CONCERN WITH ROLE OF FORWARDERS ON PLANELOAD CHARTERS (U.S. ORIGIN). THEY ALSO REQUESTED 5TH FREEDOM ON ATLANTA-MEXICO IN EXCHANGE FOR U.S. OPEN BEYONDS. U.S. CHAIRMAN MADE POINT THAT WE ALREADY HAVE BEYOND RIGHTS WHILE THEIR PROPOSAL GOES INTO NEW ROUTE REQUESTS AND EXCEEDS AUTHORITY OF THE USDEL TO EVEN OPEN DISCUSS. WE TABLED PROPOSAL MOU LANGUAGE FOR COMMENT BY BELGIAN SIDE. U.S. CHAIRMAN INDICATED THAT PROVISIONS SAME AS GIVEN DUTCH IN MARCH 10 MEMCON. BELGIAN SIDE REPEATED OLD ARGUMENTS ABOUT U.S. DISCRIMINATION AGAINST BELGIUM IN TERMS OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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3. GOB EXPRESSED DESIRE TO MEET AGAIN IN A FEW MONTHS TO REVIEW AGENDA ITEMS FURTHER. USDEL AGREED. TALKS WERE FRIENDLY BUT BELGIANS SHOWED CONCERN AND SOME RESENTMENT OVER WHAT THEY CONSIDER TO BE PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT FOR DUTCH. HOWEVER, NO CHANGE IN LIBERAL POLICIES OF GOB

TOWARDS ALL CHARTER OPERATIONS IS EXPECTED. CHAMBERS

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